

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Docket No.:	2003M001)	
In re)	Before the Examiner
Application of:	Rebecca Castle)	
Serial No.:	10/810,044)	E. McAvoy
Filed:	March 26, 2004)	
For:	METHOD FOR LUBRICATING)	Group Art Unit No.
	DIAMOND-LIKE CARBON COATED)	1797
	SURFACES)	

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER
PETITION FOR CONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97**

I. Enclosed is:

☒ Information Disclosure Statement Form No. PTO-1449 and copies of references where indicated.

II. ☐ The Examiner is requested to consider the references cited in the attached Information Disclosure Statement without a fee or certification because it was filed:

☐ within three months of the filing date of this national application;

☐ within three months of the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in § 1.491 in an international application; or

☐ before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits; whichever event occurred last.

III. ☒ The Examiner is requested to consider the attached Information Disclosure Statement pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.97(c) in that it is being filed after the periods specified in Paragraph II above but before the first to occur of the mailing date of either:

☐ Final Action under 37 CFR §1.113;

☒ Notice of Allowance under 37 CFR § 1.311; and in support of such request the undersigned either:

☐ has made the certification herein-below pursuant to 37 CFR §1.97(e); or

☒ is paying a petition fee under 37 CFR §1.17(p) in the amount of \$180.00.

IV. ☐ The Examiner is requested to consider the attached Information Disclosure Statement pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.97(d) in that it is being filed before the payment of the base Issue Fee and after the mailing date of the first to occur of either:

- (1) Final Action under 37 CFR § 1.113; or
- (2) Notice of Allowance;

and in support of said request the undersigned:

- (i) has made the certification herein-below pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.97(e); and
- (ii) is paying a petition fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(i)(1) in the amount of \$130.00.

Certification under 37 CFR § 1.97(e) [applicable to only III or IV above]

[] The undersigned hereby certifies that for each item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement it was either:

- (1) cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counter-part foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the statement, or
- (2) not cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application or, to the knowledge of the undersigned upon making reasonable inquiry, was not known to any individual designated in § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of the statement.

V. Fee Payment

[X] Petition fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(p) to consider Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR § 1.97(c) is \$180.00.

[X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 05-1710. A duplicate copy of this Form is enclosed.

September 21, 2009
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